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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
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Application Number	10/781,504-Conf. #2919	Filed	May 6, 2004
For	INSTRUMENTATION AND METHODS FOR USE IN IMPLANTING A CERVICALDISC REPLACEMENTDEVICE		
Art Unit	3774	Examiner	A. M. Schillinger

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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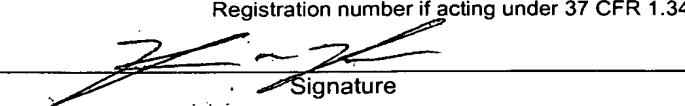
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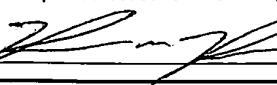
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